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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective December 2, 1961

Chapter 416

AN ACT Providing for Demolition or Dismantling and Reassembling of Morse Bridge in the City of Bangor.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after the Legislature has adjourned unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 23, section 118, as amended by the public laws of 1955, chapter 313, the public laws of 1959, chapter 257 and the public laws of 1961, chapter 7, requires the State Highway Commission to maintain the Morse Bridge, so called, across Kenduskeag Stream in Bangor; and

Whereas, the State Highway Commission in order to carry out its responsibility to maintain Morse Bridge must either move it to a new location or demolish it in part or in whole; and

Whereas, the bridge must either be moved or demolished in part or in whole during the coming winter months before the next spring run-off; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 23, § 118, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 118 of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by chapter 7 of the public laws of 1961, is further amended to read as follows:

'This section shall also apply to the maintenance of the bridge between Machiasport and East Machias, all the 22 bridges built under the "Works Program Flood Relief Program," and the following covered bridges: Morso's Bridge, Bangor; Lovejoy Bridge, Andover; Robyville Bridge, Corinth; Hemlock Bridge, Fryeburg; Bennett Bridge, Lincoln Plantation; Watson's Bridge, Littleton; Artist's Bridge, Newry; Lowe's Bridge, Sangerville-Guilford and Babb's Bridge, Windham-Gorham.'

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Sec. 2. Dismantling of Morse Bridge in Bangor.

I. The State Highway Commission shall dismantle Morse Bridge in Bangor and move the dismantled sections to land in the vicinity of Harlow Court near the east shore of Kenduskeag Stream, the land to be made available by the City of Bangor without charge to the State.

II. The State Highway Commission is to move the granite blocks from the existing pier and abutments to the same location.

III. If the City of Bangor fails to make land available for storage of the dismantled sections of the bridge and the blocks referred to in subsections I and II by February 1, 1962, then the State Highway Commission shall demolish Morse Bridge in Bangor in its existing location and clean the site by removing the abutments and pier from the banks and stream.

Sec. 3. Reassembling Morse Bridge in Bangor. The State Highway Commission shall reassemble the bridge across Kenduskeag Stream in the vicinity of Harlow Court on land made available by the City of Bangor, provided:

I. Land is made available by the City of Bangor in accordance with section 2, subsection III for the storage of the dismantled sections and blocks as referred to in section 2, subsections I and II; and

II. The City of Bangor assumes responsibility for maintenance of Morse Bridge in Bangor after it is reassembled by the State Highway Commission; and

III. If the sum of \$25,000 is deposited with the Treasurer of State to the credit of the State Highway Commission Bridge Maintenance Account by the City of Bangor and interested parties.

If the City of Bangor does not agree by January 1, 1963 to assume maintenance of Morse Bridge after it is reassembled or if the sum of \$25,000 is not deposited in accordance with subsection III by the same date, January 1, 1963, then the State Highway Commission shall dispose of the dismantled sections and granite blocks in such manner as it may deem advisable.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective December 2, 1961

Chapter 417

AN ACT to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 1, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Relinquishing to United States to title to land for erection of lighthouses, forts, etc., when title cannot otherwise be obtained; disposal of purchase